

Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee Meeting

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IT LOOKS LIKE WE MAY HAVE A QUORUM.

I SEE COUNCIL MEMBERS, KITCHEN AND FIND TEZ, UH, ON THE SCREEN.

AND I SEE COUNCIL MEMBER ENTER HIS NAME AND I SEE COUNCIL MEMBER KELLY AND MAYOR ADLER AND, UM, COUNCIL MEMBER ELLIS AND ME.

[CALL TO ORDER]

SO I THINK I WILL GO AHEAD AND CALL THIS MEETING TO ORDER AND CTM.

LET ME KNOW WHEN YOU'RE READY TO GO.

OKAY.

I'M LESLIE POOLE AND I'M THE CHAIR OF THE AUSTIN ENERGY UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

AND IT IS TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 2021.

AND THE TIME IS 1 36.

I AM CALLING THIS MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF A HOLE TO ORDER TODAY, AND WE DO HAVE A QUORUM.

WE HAVE SOME MEMBERS ON THE GALLERY SCREEN AND OTHERS WITH ME ON THE DIOCESE.

SO WE ARE CALLED TO ORDER, UM, JUST AS AN OVERVIEW REALLY QUICK, WE WILL MOVE THROUGH OUR GENERAL AGENDA WITH DISPATCH, UH, LIKE WE DID LAST TIME AND THEN I WILL, UH, MOVE US INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE AUSTIN ENERGY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

WE WILL HAVE THAT EXECUTIVE SESSION, ALL OF US REMOTELY FROM OUR OFFICES.

WE'VE FOUND THAT THAT'S THE BEST WAY FOR THAT TO WORK FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION WHEN WE'RE DONE WITH THAT, WE'LL COME BACK AND, AND I WILL, UM, ADJOURN OUR, UH, UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING.

AND THEN WE WILL RECONVENE OR, UH, COME BACK FROM RECESS, UH, FOR THE REGULAR WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

[1. Approve the minutes of the July 27, 2021 meeting of the Austin Energy Utility Oversight Committee.]

SO THE FIRST ITEM ON OUR AGENDA IS APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY 27TH, 2021 FOR THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

IS THERE A MOTION? THANK YOU, COUNCIL MEMBER KELLY, AND A SECOND FROM COUNCIL MEMBER ELLIS.

ALL IN FAVOR, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND AND SAY, AYE.

VERY GOOD.

THAT LOOKS UNANIMOUS.

UM, WITH A COUPLE OF FOLKS OFF THE DICE, LET'S SEE.

COUNCIL MEMBER RENTER VIA COUNCIL, UH, MAYOR PRO TEM HARPER, MADISON COUNCIL MEMBER COSAR AND UH, COUNCIL MEMBER.

TOVO I THINK THAT'S RIGHT.

AND I'M GOING TO SAY THAT THAT'S THE SITUATION GOING FORWARD UNLESS SOMEBODY COMES BACK.

YOU'RE GOING TO BE RIGHT HERE.

SAY AGAIN, COUNCIL MEMBER TOBO IS JUST BACK THERE.

I JUST THOUGHT HER SHE'LL BE GREAT.

OKAY.

ALL RIGHT.

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER TOVA, WHO IS ON HER WAY TO JOIN US.

[2. General Manager's Report - Upcoming Recommendations for Council Action - Innovations, events, awards.]

SO WE HAVE SOME BRIEFINGS, THE GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT, AND THEN WE'LL HAVE THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONS BRIEFING.

I'LL TURN THIS OVER TO OUR GENERAL MANAGER, JACKIE SERGEANT.

GOOD AFTERNOON, JACKIE.

REALLY GOOD TO SEE YOU.

THANKS FOR BEING HERE.

GOOD AFTERNOON, CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AS YOU KNOW, I'M JACKIE SERGEANT AUSTIN ENERGY GENERAL MANAGER.

IN ADDITION TO MY GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT TODAY, THE AUSTIN ENERGY FINANCE DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTING, STEPHANIE KUDELKA WE'LL PRINT PRESENT OUR SECOND QUARTER FINANCIAL BRIEFING, DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER SYDNEY JACKSON WILL PRESENT THE SECOND QUARTER OPERATIONS BRIEFING AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF POWER PRODUCTION.

PAT SWEENEY WILL PRESENT THE UPDATE ON THE DECKER CREEK POWER STATION, WORKFORCE PLANNING EFFORTS.

IS THERE A TRICK TO THIS NEXT SLIDE? I'LL BEGIN TODAY WITH A SHORT BRIEFING ON SEVEN OF AUSTIN ENERGY'S UPCOMING, UH, REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION.

THE FIRST IS TO AUTHORIZE AUSTIN ENERGY TO ISSUE REBATES, TO MULTIFAMILY COMMERCIAL AND SMALL BUSINESS CUSTOMERS.

DURING COMING FISCAL YEAR FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS UP TO A COMBINED AMOUNT OF \$6,550,000.

AUSTIN ENERGY'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY REBATE PROGRAMS PROVIDE CUSTOMER INCENTIVES TO REDUCE ENERGY DEMAND AND ASSOCIATED COSTS, BENEFITING ALL ELECTRIC UTILITY CUSTOMERS AND THE UTILITY.

THE AGGREGATE APPROVAL ALLOWS FOR CONTRACTORS AND PROPERTY MANAGERS AND OWNERS TO QUICKLY RECEIVE REBATE FUNDING.

THE NEXT IS FOR RATIFICATION OF TWO CONTRACTS WITH MASTEC NORTH AMERICA AND PRIMORIS T AND D SERVICES FOR DISTRIBUTION ELECTRICAL SERVICES DIVIDED BETWEEN THE CONTRACTS CONTRACTORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3.6 MILLION.

THESE CONTRACTS ARE FOR DISTRIBUTION ELECTRICAL SERVICES TO SUPPLEMENT AUSTIN ENERGY'S LABOR FORCE BY PROVIDING READY ACCESS TO CONTRACT LABOR AND EQUIPMENT FOR SERVICE EXTENSIONS, THE REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT OF UTILITY POLE POLES, STORM-RELATED OUTAGE RESTORATION AND DISTRIBUTION LINE RELOCATIONS.

THE PREVIOUS CONTRACT EXPIRED BEFORE THE REPLACEMENT CONTRACT REQUESTS COULD BE APPROVED BY COUNCIL.

THE SOLICITATION WAS DELAYED IN ORDER TO ADDRESS A PROTEST RECEIVED.

SO THIS CONTRACT WASN'T NEEDED TO COVER THE SERVICES UNTIL THE NEW CONTRACT COULD BE APPROVED.

IN ADDITION TO THOSE

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RATIFICATIONS, WE WILL BE BRINGING TO COUNCIL A REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF THE FULL CONTRACTS WITH MASTEC NORTH AMERICAN AND PRIMORIS T AND D SERVICES FOR THESE DISTRIBUTION AND ELECTRICAL SERVICES FOR UP TO FIVE YEARS AND A COMBINED AMOUNT OF UP TO \$200 MILLION.

THE NEXT IS TO RATIFY A CONTRACT WITH KV POWER FOR OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION, ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE FOR \$1 MILLION.

THE CONTRACT SUPPLEMENTS, AUSTIN ENERGY'S NORMAL WORK BY PROVIDING READY ACCESS TO CONTRACT LABOR AND EQUIPMENT USED FOR TRANSMISSION PROJECTS, CRITICAL TO SERVING LOAD GROWTH AND ENSURING THE RELIABILITY OF THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM.

THE PREVIOUS CONTRACT EXPIRED BEFORE THE REPLACEMENT CONTRACT REQUESTS COULD BE APPROVED BY COUNCIL.

THE SOLICITATION WAS DELAYED IN ORDER TO ADDRESS A PROTEST RECEIVED.

SO THIS CONTRACT WAS NEED TO COVER THE SERVICE UNTIL THE NEW CONTRACT COULD BE APPROVED.

SO AUSTIN ENERGY WILL ALSO BRING TO COUNCIL A REQUEST TO AUTHORIZE NEGOTIATION AND EXECUTION OF A FULL CONTRACT WITH KB POWER FOR OVERHEAD TRANSMISSION ELECTRICAL MAINTENANCE FOR \$40 MILLION.

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THE NEXT ITEM IS FOR A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FOUR FIRMS, HDR ENGINEERING, A E-COMM TECHNICAL SERVICES, STANLEY CONSULTANTS AND LOCKWOOD ANDREWS AND NEWMAN FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 2021 POWER PRODUCTION ROTATION LIST FOR \$3.75 MILLION.

THE CONSULTANTS PROVIDE SPECIALIZED ENGINEERING AND ASSOCIATED TECHNICAL SERVICES NECESSARY FOR PLANNING, ANALYSIS, EVALUATION, AND DESIGN OF IMPROVEMENTS, ADDITIONS, AND UPGRADES, THE PROJECT OR THE PROJECTS ASSIGNED WILL PREMIERE.

MARILYN CONSISTS OF RETROFITS TO EXISTING PLANT SYSTEMS WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING OVERALL PLANT OPERATION EFFICIENCY AND RELIABILITY.

THE LAST ITEM IS A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH SOLEX INC FOR CONTINUED CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND ENROLLMENT ADMINISTRATOR SERVICES.

THIS WILL EXTEND THE TERM FOR FIVE YEARS AND INCREASE THE AUTHORIZATION AUTHORIZATION BY \$7.25 MILLION.

THIS AMENDMENT WILL PROVIDE CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR CITY OF AUSTIN UTILITIES, CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, ENROLLMENT.

THE VENDOR WILL MATCH PARTICIPATION IN SOCIAL SERVICES PROGRAMS FOR AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT.

IN ADDITION, IF CUSTOMERS DO NOT PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR THE AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT SOLEX CAN QUALIFY CUSTOMERS THROUGH AN INCOME VERIFICATION PROCESS.

NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

NEXT I WOULD LIKE TO ANNOUNCE THAT AUSTIN ENERGY EARNED THE GOLD COMMUNICATIONS AWARD FOR ITS EVIE BUYER'S GUIDE FROM CHARTWELL, A UTILITY INDUSTRY INFORMATION PROVIDER.

THIS GUIDE IS PART OF AUSTIN ENERGY'S EFFORTS TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND ADOPTION OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

IT ALLOWS POTENTIAL EVIE DRIVERS TO BROWSE REAL-TIME INVENTORY OF NEW AND USED ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND COMPARE MODELS.

THIS DIGITAL RESOURCE ALSO PROVIDES INFORMATION ABOUT AVAILABLE FINANCIAL INCENTIVES AND TAX CREDITS ALONG WITH A FULL LIST OF AUSTIN ENERGY.

PLUG-IN EVERYWHERE CHARGING POINTS SINCE IT'S NOVEMBER, 2019 LAUNCH, THE BUYER'S GUIDE HAS HAD MORE THAN 100,000 VISITS AND UNIQUE PAGE VIEWERS AND NEARLY 6,000 EVS HAVE BEEN SOLD AND REGISTERED IN AUSTIN.

NEXT SLIDE, PLEASE.

I'M HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT PUBLIC POWER WEEK IS NEXT WEEK FROM OCTOBER 3RD THROUGH OCTOBER 9TH.

AS PART OF THIS YEAR, CELEBRATION US TO ENERGY IS VIRTUALLY PREMIERING IT'S 125TH ANNIVERSARY DOCUMENTARY LIGHTING, A BRIGHTER FUTURE.

YOU MAY REMEMBER SEEING A TRAILER FOR THE DOCUMENTARY IN EARLY 2020.

WE HAD HOPED TO DEBUT THE 30 MINUTE 30 MINUTE FILM ON OUR ACTUAL 125TH ANNIVERSARY THAT YEAR.

UH, BUT THE PANDEMIC GOT IN OUR WAY, THE FILM FEATURES CURRENT AND FORMER AUSTIN ENERGY EMPLOYEES, AS WELL AS CUSTOMERS AND COMMUNITY LEADERS.

IT TELLS THE STORY OF HOW AUSTIN NIGHTSPOT TO ESTABLISH THEIR OWN ELECTRIC UTILITY IN 1895 AND FOLLOWS AUSTIN ENERGY THROUGH ITS 125 YEARS.

YEAH, PUBLIC IS INVITED TO WATCH LIGHTING A BRIGHTER FUTURE ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH AT 7:00 PM AND AUSTIN ENERGY'S YOUTUBE CHANNEL.

NEXT SLIDE PLEASE.

LASTLY, I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE AUSTIN ENERGY'S NEW VICE PRESIDENT OF CUSTOMER ENERGY SOLUTIONS, RICHARD GENESEE.

LAST MONTH, RICHARD JOINED THE TALENTED TEAM AND CES CUSTOMER ENERGY SOLUTIONS.

THAT INCLUDES ENERGY EFFICIENCY, SERVICES, CUSTOMER, RENEWABLE SOLUTIONS, GREEN BUILDING, AND KEY ACCOUNTS.

RICHARD'S CAREER INCLUDES MORE THAN 20 YEARS OF EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE AT BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR UTILITIES.

RICHARD SERVED AS VICE-PRESIDENT OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY AT BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION IN PORTLAND, OREGON, WHERE HE WORKED WITH MORE THAN A HUNDRED MUNICIPALITIES ON DEMAND SIDE MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS. RICHARD ALSO WORKED AT SOUTHERN CAL EDISON WHERE HE LED RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL CUSTOMER PROGRAMS, INCLUDING KEY ACCOUNTS AND CUSTOMER ENERGY EFFICIENCY SOLUTIONS.

RICHARD WAS ALSO A VICE-PRESIDENT FOR CLEAR RESULT WITH RESPONSIBILITIES ACROSS THE U S AND CANADA

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AND PROGRAM SECTORS, INCLUDING RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, AND INDUSTRIAL AND LOW INCOME CUSTOMERS.

PLEASE JOIN ME IN WELCOMING RICHARD TO THE CITY OF AUSTIN, RICHARD WITH THAT.

I'LL PAUSE TO SEE IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

I DO HAVE A QUESTION.

YES, COUNCIL MEMBER TOVA.

UH, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

UM, THANK YOU FOR THAT UPDATE GENERAL MANAGER, WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBER OF YOUR TEAM.

UM, I HAD A QUESTION THAT, UH, RELATES TO SORT OF GENERAL SOME GENERAL INFORMATION THAT'S COME OUT AS, AS THERE CONTINUE TO BE MORE ARTICLES ABOUT, ABOUT THE WINTER STORM.

THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE AUSTIN AMERICAN STATESMAN THAT TALKED ABOUT BLACK.

LET ME MAKE SURE I HAVE IT RIGHT.

THE BLACK START, THE BLACK START PLANTS AND THE PROGRAM, THE PROGRAM THAT AUSTIN ENERGY PARTICIPATES IN THROUGH DECORAH AND IT MADE, UM, AN ASSERTION THAT ONE OF, ONE OF THE, UM, POWER, THE BLACK START UNIT, UH, THAT WAS PART OF THIS PROGRAM WAS NOT, WAS PART OF THE FORCED OUTAGE.

COULD YOU ADDRESS, ADDRESS THAT? AS I UNDERSTAND FROM MY QUESTIONS WITH YOUR STAFF, THE SITUATION IS MORE COMPLEX THAN IT WAS PRESENTED.

AND I'D LIKE TO ASK YOU AND AFFORD YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY EXPLAIN OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE BLACK START PROGRAM.

UM, AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THAT PARTICULAR UNIT.

YES, ERCOT AS WELL AS OTHER ENTITIES ACROSS THE U S ALL HAVE, UM, PLANS FOR BLACK START.

THE UNITS ARE, ARE THE PROGRAM THAT'S TO BRING THE GRID BACK IN THE CASE OF A CATASTROPHIC FAILURE AND A COMPLETE BLACKOUT OF THE SYSTEM.

AUSTIN ENERGY OFFERS UNITS.

SOMETIMES OUR UNITS ARE SELECTED.

SOMETIMES THEY'RE NOT.

UH, THE UNIT THAT WE CHOOSE TO SELECT IS AT OUR DECKER CREEK POWER STATION.

IT'S ONE OF OUR, UM, GAS FIRED COMBUSTION TERMINAL TURBINES.

AND THE THING THAT IS VALUABLE TO US WITH THAT OFFERING IS THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE FOUR OF THOSE UNITS AVAILABLE.

WE OFFER ONE OF THOSE IN, AND IN THE INSTANCE THAT WE WOULD HAVE IN A SUCH IN THAT SITUATION THAT WOULD MAKE THAT ONE UNIT UNAVAILABLE.

WE HAVE THREE OTHER UNITS THAT WOULD BE AVAILABLE TO PRI PROVIDE THAT BLACK START SUPPORT, UH, TO ERCOT AS NEEDED, UH, TO REGAIN THE SYSTEM.

WE DID EXPERIENCE A BRIEF OUTAGE, UH, ON AVAILABILITY OF A UNIT, BUT IT WAS PUT BACK INTO SERVICE VERY TIMELY.

AND AGAIN, WE HAD THREE OTHER UNITS THAT WERE AVAILABLE AND COULD HAVE PROVIDED THOSE SERVICES IF CALLED UPON.

SO WAS IT PART, WAS THE UNIT THAT WAS NOT AVAILABLE PART OF A FORCED OUTAGE OR DID IT EXPERIENCE AN UNEXPECTED OUTAGE? A FORCED OUTAGE IS AN UNEXPECTED OUTAGE.

AND SO WHAT HAPPENS IS THERE'S A EQUIPMENT ISSUE OR SOMETHING THAT'S GOING TO INHIBIT THE ABILITY OF THAT UNIT TO START IF CALLED ON.

AND IT WAS LIKE I SAID, SOMETHING THAT WAS RELATIVELY MINOR AND IT WAS FIXED VERY QUICKLY.

OKAY.

I GUESS, I GUESS I'VE SOMETIMES HEARD THE TERM FOREST OUTAGE TALKING ABOUT THE ROLLING BLACKOUTS THAT WERE HAPPENING.

THIS WAS NOT PART OF A ROLLING BLACKOUT.

IT WAS NOT TAKEN OFFLINE TO COMPLY WITH OUR COTS DEMAND THAT WE REDUCE OUR POWER CONSUMPTION.

THIS WAS, THIS WAS A UNIT THAT HAD A, HAD, UM, SOME DIFFICULTIES AND HAD, AND WAS TAKEN DOWN FOR A REPAIR.

THE LOAD SHED REQUIREMENTS THAT ERCOT ISSUED WERE FOR LOAD OR CUT DID NOT DIRECT ANY GENERATION TO COME OFFLINE.

SO, NO.

AND HOW LONG WAS THE PERIOD OF TIME THAT IT WAS OFF? WAS IT THIRD IS 13 HOURS ACCURATE? WHAT WAS IN THE ARTICLE? I DON'T HAVE THAT INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO ME.

UM, BUT WE CAN CERTAINLY GET BACK TO YOU, BUT IN ANY CASE, I THINK THE INFORMATION THAT WAS LACKING FROM THE ARTICLE IS THAT THERE, THERE WERE THREE OTHER UNITS THAT COULD HAVE FUNCTIONED IN THAT VERY SAME CAPACITY THAT YOU'VE COMMITTED TO OR CAUGHT, UM, AUSTIN ENERGY WOULD PROVIDE.

THAT'S CORRECT.

OKAY.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT CLARIFICATION.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER? OKAY.

THANK YOU.

[3. Third Quarter Financial Briefing.]

AND ITEM THREE IS THE THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL BRIEFING.

WELCOME.

I THANK YOU.

HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, STEPHANIE.

KUDELKA PRESENTING TO YOU THE THIRD QUARTER REPORT FOR FY 21 PERIOD ENDED JUNE.

I'M THE DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTING FOR AUSTIN ENERGY.

NEXT SLIDE PLEASE.

OH, THANK YOU.

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SO HERE WE HAVE OUR STANDARD DISCLAIMER, SLIDE.

THIS IS JUST LETTING YOU KNOW THAT THE INFORMATION IN THE REPORT IS UNAUDITED AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE, AND ALSO INCLUDES FORECASTED INFORMATION THAT CAN AND LIKELY WILL VARY FROM, UM, OUR ACTUAL RESULTS.

AND WE'VE INCLUDED A LINK HERE TO OUR AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR END.

UM, AND OUR 21 STATEMENT WILL BE ISSUED AND AUDITED AROUND THE MARCH 22 TIMEFRAME.

WE HAVE A STANDARD AGENDA FOR OUR QUARTERLY PRESENTATION TODAY.

I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A HIGH LEVEL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF OUR FINANCIAL POSITION AT JUNE.

HERE.

YOU SEE THE EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, WHICH GIVES AN OUTLINE OF OUR FINANCIAL POSITION.

WE ARE GENERALLY COMPLIANT WITH OUR FINANCIAL POLICIES.

WE HAVE TO RESERVE BALANCES THAT STILL SIT BELOW MINIMUMS. UM, BUT OUR TOTAL CASH AND RESERVES IS ABOVE THAT MINIMUM OF 457 MILLION.

OUR, UH, CASH AND RESERVES AT JUNE SITS AT AROUND 669 MILLION.

WE DID HAVE ALSO, UM, A SLIGHT DIP IN OUR COVERAGE RATIO.

WE DIPPED RIGHT BELOW TWO TIMES.

THAT'S MOSTLY DRIVEN JUST BY SOME PRESSURE THAT WE'RE SEEING ON OUR OPERATING MARGINS.

OUR OPERATING REVENUES ARE 843 MILLION AT JUNE.

THOSE ARE UNDER BUDGET FOR THE PERIOD, MOSTLY DUE TO THE DECREASE RELATED TO POWER SUPPLY REVENUE FROM THE WINTER STORM AND MOVING ACROSS THE PAGE, SAME FLUX ANALYSIS FOR OUR OPERATING EXPENSES.

THEY'RE ALSO UNDER BUDGET DUE TO THE POWER SUPPLY COSTS FROM THE STORM.

UM, THE REASON WHY THOSE FLUXES ARE SIMILAR IS BECAUSE UNDER REGULATORY ACCOUNTING, WE MATCH THOSE REVENUES TO OUR COST.

ONE TO NOTE THAT, UM, THE NUMBERS THAT WE ARE SHOWING HERE ARE OPERATING ONLY, UM, THEY DON'T SHOW THE, THE TRUE FINANCIAL POSITION IN A, IN A GAP BASIS BASED ON TRANSFERS THAT ARE MADE TO THE CITY AS WELL AS TRANSFERS TO MAKE OUR DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS, AS WELL AS FUN.

THE CAPITAL PORTION OF OUR PLAN BOTTOM QUADRANT LEFT.

UM, WE'RE STILL WELL CAPITALIZED.

OUR BALANCE SHEET IS LIQUID.

WE HAVE ABOUT 380 MILLION IN OPERATING CASH OR WORKING CAPITAL AS OF THE END OF THE PERIOD.

AND FINALLY, WE ARE MEETING OUR AA CREDIT RATING METRIC IN JULY OF THIS YEAR.

S AND P DID REMOVE US FROM NEGATIVE WATCH.

WE WERE REPLACED WITH A NEGATIVE OUTLOOK, BUT WE DID COME OFF OF NEGATIVE CREDIT WATCH, AND I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY DID REAFFIRM OUR AA RATING.

SO I'M GLAD TO TAKE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON THE DETAILS OF THE REPORT OR GO THROUGH ANY OTHER INFORMATION OR TAKE QUESTIONS.

CALLINGS, DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR MS? KUDELKA VERY GOOD.

OKAY.

THANK YOU.

AND WE KNOW THAT, UM, COUNCIL MEMBERS AND THEIR STAFF CAN ALWAYS CONTACT YOU DIRECTLY TO, TO DIG INTO THINGS EVEN MORE DEEPLY IF THEY, IF THEY WANT TO.

IS THAT CORRECT? YES.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

UM, THANKS FOR THE FINANCIAL BRIEFING.

THIS IS ALSO A GOOD MOMENT TO BRING UP A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE ELECTRIC UTILITY COMMISSIONERS.

UM, THE EUC WAS LOOKING AT THE CAP DISCOUNT RATE.

YOU ALL PROBABLY READ SOME OF THE, UM, EMAIL TRAFFIC ON THAT POINT.

THEY'VE ASKED THAT WE CONTINUE TO HOLD THAT RATE AT 15%, INSTEAD OF REDUCING IT AGAIN TO THE REGULAR USUAL 10% AS PART OF OUR PAST BUDGET, WE DID INDEED REVERT TO 10%, BUT I'D LIKE US TO ENGAGE IN A BROADER DISCUSSION ABOUT SITTING THE CAP DISCOUNT RATE AT 15% ON A PERMANENT BASIS.

I KNOW THIS IS NOT A SPECIFIC TOPIC ON OUR AGENDA, SO I'M JUST SIGNALING MY INTEREST IN THAT.

AND IN RESPONSE TO THE INFORMATION THAT WE'VE THE REQUESTS THAT WE'VE GOTTEN FROM OUR CONSUMERS, I MAY BRING SOMETHING TO COUNCIL TO ASK OUR STAFF TO ANALYZE THAT INCREASED DISCOUNT AS PART OF THE RIGHT REVIEW, BUT THAT WOULD BE, AND THAT WOULD BE NEXT YEAR.

BUT IN THE MEANTIME, RESTORING THE 15% DISCOUNT ON AN INTERIM BASIS AS OUR COMMUNITY CONTINUES TO RECOVER ECONOMICALLY IS SOMETHING THAT I'D LIKE US TO GIVE SOME CONSIDERATION AGAIN.

UM, BUT AGAIN, I WANT OUR UTILITY STAFF TO GIVE US THEIR ANALYSIS ON THE IMPACT THAT EVEN AN INTERIM 15%, UH, AND INFOR WOULD HAVE, AND ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE AVERAGE BENEFIT OF THE 10% VERSUS THE 15% ON OUR CUSTOMERS.

AND THEN I JUST STAT AS A SIDE NOTE THAT ITEM 1 63 ON THE COUNCIL AGENDA FOR 30 FOR THURSDAY SETS THE PASSED THROUGH CHARGES FOR THE UTILITY, BUT IT DOES NOT PRECLUDE US FROM MAKING A MOVE ON THE CAP DISCOUNT RATE AT A FUTURE DATE.

SO IF ANYBODY HAS ANY FEEDBACK

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ON THAT CAP DISCOUNT DISCUSSION AND SEEING MORE ANALYSIS FROM OUR STAFF, I'D WELCOME.

ANY COMMENTS EITHER HERE TODAY OR ON THE MESSAGE BOARD.

UM, SO WE CAN CONTINUE OUR WORK IN THAT AREA.

ALL RIGHT,

[4. Third Quarter Operations Briefing.]

MOVING ON THEN TO ITEM NUMBER FOUR IS OUR THIRD QUARTER OPERATIONS BRIEFING.

WELCOME.

THANK YOU.

GOOD AFTERNOON.

UH, COMMITTEE CHAIR, POOL COMMITTEE MEMBERS, MAYOR ADLER, AND CITY MANAGER.

I AM SYDNEY JACKSON, THE DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER AND CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER AT ENERGY.

AS IT HAS BEEN OUR TRADITION, I WILL BE PRESENTING A Q3 OPERATIONS REPORT.

MY INTENT IS TO BE BRIEF TO GIVE YOU A FLY OVER, IF YOU WILL, QUARTER THREE OPERATIONS REPORT IS NAMELY THE APRIL, MAY, JUNE, UH, OPERATIONS, UH, FOR AUSTIN ENERGY.

THE AGENDA TODAY, AS YOU SEE, WILL BE AROUND PR POWER SUPPLY PERFORMANCE, RETAIL LOAD, RENEWABLE GENERATION AND SYSTEM RELIABILITY.

LET ME SPEAK TO POWER SUPPLY PERFORMANCE.

THERE IT IS.

UM, POWER SUPPLY PERFORMANCE WAS ON SCHEDULE AS PLANNED A ROBUST PERFORMANCE ANYWHERE YOU MAY SEE A D RATE WAS DUE TO PLANNED SPRING MAINTENANCE OUTAGES, AND THOSE PLANS BRING MAINTENANCE OUTAGES ON THE POWER SUPPLY ARE RELATED TO PREPARATIONS NEEDED TO ASSURE THAT THOSE FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE DURING THE PEAK TIME OF THE YEAR, WHICH WOULD NAMELY BE AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER LOOKING AT OUR POWER GENERATION MIX.

OUR RESOURCE MIX, YOU WILL, IF YOU WILL LOOKING AT RENEWABLES VERSUS TRADITIONAL DISPATCHABLE RESOURCES AS A LOWER GRAPH ON THE RIGHT OF FIRMS, RENEWABLE PERCENT RENEWABLE GENERATION AS A PERCENT OF CONSUMPTION WAS 52%.

THAT'S AN INCREASE FROM THE PREVIOUS QUARTER AND LOOKING AT THE UPPER LEFT AND THE UPPER RIGHT HAND, UH, GRAPHS, UH, RENEWABLE GENERATION IN TERMS OF COST BY FUEL TYPE OR CONTRIBUTION IN TERMS OF MEGAWATT HOURS WAS SUBSTANTIAL AS TO BE EXPECTED, MOVING TO SYSTEM RELIABILITY.

UNFORTUNATELY, A RELIABILITY INDICATORS SHOW A NEGATIVE REGRESSION AS COMPARED TO Q3 OF 2020, WHETHER BY FAR IS THE MOST SINGULAR CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN COMPARISON TO Q3 2020, WHETHER IT WAS EXTREMELY MILD IN 2020 AS COMPARED TO 2021, FOR INSTANCE, MAJOR EVENT DAYS WHERE WE HAD MAJOR SIGNIFICANT RELIABILITY EVENTS, DRIVEN BY STORMS WAS A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF WHAT WE EXPERIENCED IN 2021.

MOREOVER, UM, THE RAINS THAT WE EXPERIENCED IN APRIL MAY AND JUNE, UH, WERE SOME OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT ON RECORD SETTING OR APPROACHING A HUNDRED YEAR MARKS.

IF WE LOOK BACK TO Q2 AS COMPARED TO Q2 2020 VERSUS Q2 2021, UH, WE DID SHOW POSITIVE PROGRESSION AND IMPROVEMENTS.

UH, IN THAT CORNER QUARTER, LOOKING AT RENEWABLE GENERATION BY MONTH AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MARCH, UH, 2021 WAS A RECORD SETTING MONTH WHERE WE ADD 70% PARTICIPATION OR CONTRIBUTION FROM RENEWABLE GENERATION.

AS YOU CAN SEE, APRIL MAY AND JUNE ARE X ALSO ROBUST AS WELL.

ENVIRONMENTAL FOCUS, UH, WE CONTINUE TO MAKE, UH, CONTRIBUTIONS, UH, IN THE RENEWABLE SPACE WITH ADDITIONS IN THIS QUARTER OF NORMALLY 300 MEGAWATTS, WHICH IS SUBSTANTIAL GULF WIND EAST BLACK LAND SOLAR, OUR SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PORTFOLIO OF THIS PARTICULAR QUARTER.

AND WE ARE EXPECTING NEW INVESTMENTS TO COME ONLINE PRIOR TO THE END OF THE CALENDAR YEAR AGAINST SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENTS AS WELL.

TAKEAWAY HERE IS THAT RENEWABLE RESOURCES ARE CONTINUING TO EXPAND IN OUR PORTFOLIO.

UH, NEXT SLIDE ON, ON DISTRICT COOLING PROJECTS, WE DO HAVE CONTINUED GROWTH IN DISTRICT COOLING PROJECTS AS DISTRICT COOLING PLANT THREE IS ABOUT TO COME ONLINE, UH, PENDING SOME LAST, UH, CONSTRUCTION, UM, UH, TESTING, UH, AUSTIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

WE ARE STILL PLANNING ON COMING ONLINE THERE AND THEN THE MUELLER, UH, ENERGY CENTER, UH, WE ARE CONTINUING

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TO DO CONTINUE TO VALUATIONS.

AND THE LAST SLIDE, NEXT ONE, PLEASE.

UM, WE HAVE CONTINUED TO MAKE, UH, IMPROVEMENTS WITH OUR UNDERGROUND RELIABILITY NETWORK MAP, MAPPING, TRANSMISSION PLANNING, STATEMENT OF WORK AND EMPHASIS ON OUR DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM.

UH, TOP 10 FEEDERS AS WELL, COMMITTEE CHAIR POOL.

THAT CONCLUDES OUR Q2 OPERATIONS REPORT.

MR. JACKSON, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

UM, ANY QUESTIONS FOR MR. JACKSON, ANYBODY UP ON THE GRID? ALL RIGHT, THANKS SO MUCH.

AND THEN THE NEXT ITEM

[5. Decker Creek Power Station Workforce Planning.]

NUMBER FIVE IS THE DECKER CREEK POWER STATION WORKFORCE PLANNING REPORT.

WELCOME GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND COUNCIL PAT SWEENEY VICE-PRESIDENT POWER PRODUCTIONS IS A VERY BRIEF UPDATE ON OUR DECKER WORKFORCE TRANSITION PLANS, UH, FOR THE DECKER'S STIMULANT RETIREMENTS, NOT MUCH CHANGED SINCE OUR LAST UPDATE D IN JULY, PRIMARILY BECAUSE WE'VE BEEN IN THE SUMMER OPERATION MODE.

SO WHILE WE'VE CONTINUED TO OFFER ONLINE TRAINING, THINGS LIKE THAT, UH, ONE OF THE BIG ONES THAT WE'VE BEEN DOING IS SHADOW BASED TRAINING, WHERE YOU GO AND ACTUALLY, UH, UH, OBSERVE AN ACTIVITY AND TAKE PART IN THAT FOR A WHILE.

THAT'S BEEN MOSTLY SUSPENDED OVER THE SUMMER SINCE WE'VE NEEDED THE STAFF TO OPERATE THE UNITS.

UH, IT'S BEEN A MILD SUMMER FOR THE MOST PART, BUT THE HEAT DID COME ON TOWARDS IN HERE.

AND AS WE MOVE INTO THE FALL HERE, AS WE ARE MOVING INTO THE FALL, WE'LL BE STARTING OUR MAINTENANCE SEASON.

AND SO THOSE OPPORTUNITIES WILL COME BACK ON AND BEGIN TO RE-ENGAGE THE STAFF ON, ON THAT ACTIVITY IN EARNEST.

UH, BUT AGAIN, CONTINUING TO OFFER, UH, EMPLOYEE DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING, THINGS OF THAT SORT ON AN ONGOING BASIS.

AND AGAIN, THE, THE TREND THAT WE'VE BEEN SEEING, WE'VE HAD A COUPLE, WE'VE HAD A COUPLE MORE FOLKS CHOOSE EITHER RETIREMENT OR TAKE A NEW POSITION.

UH, I EXPECT BASED ON INDICATIONS THAT THAT, THAT TREND WILL CONTINUE INTO THE FALL HERE.

AND SO I THINK WE'LL BE AT A GOOD LANDING SPOT, UH, WHEN THE TIME COMES TO, TO FINALIZE OUR STEPS.

I'LL TAKE ANY QUESTION.

THAT'S GREAT NEWS.

ANY QUESTIONS LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE GOOD.

THANKS MR. SWEENEY.

WE'RE GOING TO MOVE NOW INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, BUT BEFORE I READ THAT SCRIPT, I WANTED TO MAKE A NOTE THAT I MISSED SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT CITIZEN COMMUNICATION AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING.

THAT'S BECAUSE NOBODY HAD SIGNED UP.

SO, UM, I, I DIDN'T WANT TO OVERLOOK THE FACT THAT WE DO HAVE TIME FOR CITIZENS.

COME TALK WITH US AT THE BEGINNING OF MEETINGS.

WE JUST DIDN'T HAVE ANYBODY TODAY TO PULL.

YES.

UM, BEFORE WE GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE FUTURE

[7. Identify items to discuss at future meetings.]

ITEMS? UH, YES.

SURE, SURE.

WE CAN GO AHEAD AND TAKE THAT.

AND THEN I'LL READ THE SCRIPT FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION.

YOU BET.

YES.

MOST REMEMBER ALTAR.

I WANTED TO ASK, UM, AT A APPROPRIATE FUTURE MEETING.

I'M NOT SURE WHEN OUR NEXT MEETING IS, UM, IT MAY BE MORE APPROPRIATE THAN ONE AFTER.

UM, I WOULD LIKE A PRESENTATION ON THE WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE TO, UM, DO THE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ON THE HIGH WILDFIRE RISK, UM, LOWER LIABILITY LINES.

UM, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING.

THOSE ARE SUPPOSED TO BE ALL CLEARED BY THE END OF THE YEAR.

UM, AND I'D LIKE TO GET A STATUS UPDATE.

THAT SOUNDS GREAT.

I'VE GOT THAT WRITTEN DOWN.

I SEE THE GENERAL MANAGER NODDING OUR HEADS.

SO WE WILL DEFINITELY INCLUDE THAT AND MAYBE GIVE COUNCIL MEMBER ALTER A PREVIEW OF THE PRESENTATION.

SO IF THERE WERE SOME THINGS THAT SHE SEES AREN'T INCLUDED THAT THEN WE CAN GET, UH, YES.

COUNCIL MEMBER KELLY, THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THAT UP.

COUNCIL LIVER ULCER.

COULD I PLEASE BE INCLUDED IN THE PREVIOUS? WELL, ABSOLUTELY SURE, SURE.

YES.

COUNCIL MEMBER TOVA.

UM, WE, WE ALL RECEIVED, I THINK WE ALL RECEIVED A FAX FROM JUDY FATH IN JULY, 2021 ABOUT SMALL, SMALL COMMERCIAL DEMAND CHARGES.

UH, AND WE HAVE FROM TIME TO TIME, I THINK RECEIVED CORRESPONDENCE FROM MS. FATH AND I WANTED TO ASK, SO I HAVE, UM, HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH STAFF ABOUT SOME OF THE CHANGES THEY MADE AND HOW THEY HAVE HAVE, I BELIEVE MITIGATED SOME OF THE IMPACT ON OUR SMALL COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES.

BUT I WANTED TO ASK MY COLLEAGUES IF THEY ARE INTERESTED IN HAVING THAT AT A FUTURE SESSION.

I THINK THAT MIGHT BE A GOOD TOPIC JUST SO WE CAN HAVE THAT FOR THE PUBLIC.

IT WAS BEEN INTERESTED IN THAT I THINK.

YEAH.

THANKS FOR BRINGING THAT UP.

AND I SEE THE GENERAL MANAGER I'M NODDING IN A SCENT.

SO WE WILL, WE WILL ADD THAT TO A FUTURE AGENDA.

IF WE HAVE ROOM, WE'LL EVEN DO IT AT OUR NEXT MEETING.

WE HAVE ONE MORE MEETING BEFORE THE END.

YEAH, I THINK THAT WOULD BE GOOD.

THAT'LL HELP US.

I THINK THE DIALOGUE ON THE COUNCIL WILL HELP US SORT OUT WHETHER WHETHER THE STEPS THAT HAVE BEEN TAKEN ARE SUFFICIENT TO MEET THE REALLY VALID CONCERNS THAT JUDY'S RAISED OR WHETHER THERE ARE ADDITIONAL ACTIONS THAT, THAT WE NEED TO TAKE.

I KNOW THIS IS SOMETHING WE'VE TALKED ABOUT AT BUDGET TIME AND

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AT RATE REVIEW TIME AND AT VARIOUS POINTS THROUGHOUT THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.

AND I'D LIKE TO, I'D LIKE TO KIND OF RESOLVE WHETHER WE'RE IN A GOOD PLACE OR NEED ADDITIONAL CHANGES.

I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO, TO, UM, FORWARD, UM, MS. FAFSA, UH, COMMUNICATION TO THE GENERAL MANAGER.

JUST, YOU MIGHT'VE BEEN ON THAT EMAIL, I DON'T KNOW, BUT IN CASE YOU WERE NOT THEN TO SEND THAT TO MS. SERGEANT, THAT'S A GOOD IDEA.

AND I THINK MR. RILEY HAS IT AS WELL.

ALSO, THERE'S A RELEVANT MEMO FROM APRIL 22ND, 2015.

SO MAYBE STAFF CAN KIND OF PULL TOGETHER AS BACKUP THAT THE MATERIAL THAT WOULD BE VALUABLE TO HAVE AS BACKUP INFORMATION FOR THAT CONVERSATION.

I WOULD ALSO ASK THAT YOU DOUBLE CHECK WHAT BACKUP INFORMATION YOU'RE ABLE TO ACCUMULATE AND CHECK WITH COUNCIL MEMBER TOVO TO MAKE SURE THAT SOMETHING IS NOT MISSING.

OKAY.

UM, CHAIR, AND I'M SORRY, MY WEB CAMERA DOESN'T SEEM TO BE WORKING FOR SOME REASON, BUT, UM, I WANTED TO ASK THE QUESTION.

THIS IS THE RIGHT TIME COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN, ABOUT YOUR PREVIOUS CONVERSATION WITH THE, UH, COMMUNICATIONS FROM, UM, MS. PATH I'M SHOOTING PATH.

YEAH.

SO JUST TO CLARIFY, ARE THESE SOME NEW NEW COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER OR IS THIS, UM, UH, TO, TO BUILD UPON THE COMMUNICATIONS WE RECEIVED FROM HER FEW YEARS AGO? WELL, IT'S LADDER, EXCEPT THAT I THINK THERE WAS A NEWER EMAIL, UM, COUNCIL MEMBER TOVA MENTIONED THAT SHE RECEIVED AN EMAIL THIS SUMMER THAT AFFECTS, OH, IT WAS A SAX NOW THAT SHE ALWAYS COMMUNICATES VFX REMARKABLE.

UM, AND THAT, AND, UM, I BELIEVE IT WENT TO ALL OF OUR OFFICES AND IT'S JULY, JULY, 2021.

UM, BUT THE SUBJECT AND COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN, I KNOW YOU WERE INVOLVED IN, IN, UM, DOING SOME WORK ON THIS ISSUE AS WELL, BUT IT IS, IT IS THE SAME ISSUE.

I JUST THINK IT'S TIME FOR A CONVERSATION ABOUT WHETHER THE STEPS HAVE RESOLVED.

UM, YEAH, NO, I, I ABSOLUTELY AGREE.

I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE IS AWARE THAT AUSTIN, UM, YOU KNOW, OUR, OUR D OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF, UH, OUR, UH, JACKIE SHORT SERGEANT DID QUITE A BIT OF WORK WITH MS. FATH PREVIOUSLY.

AND, UH, SO THERE'S A LOT OF INFORMATION OUT THERE ALREADY.

AND I WOULD JUST WANT US TO BE SURE THAT WHATEVER WE DO PICKS UP ON THE PREVIOUS WORK THAT WAS DONE, UM, YOU KNOW, SO I JUST WANTED TO ALERT YOU ALL TO THE, UM, THE ANALYSIS THAT WAS DONE PREVIOUSLY IN THE CONVERSATIONS THAT WERE HAD PREVIOUSLY ALSO, THAT'S ALL.

SO I'LL CIRCLE AROUND, OUTSIDE THIS MEETING TO SHARE THAT INFORMATION.

I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TOO, SINCE THE COMMUNICATION CAME IN BY FAX.

AND HONESTLY, I DON'T REMEMBER SEEING A FAX IN MY INBOX, SO IF SOMEBODY COULD MAKE A COPY OF THAT AND, AND WHEN YOU DO THE BACKUP, IT'LL BE PART OF THE BACKUP.

SO WE'LL ALL BE ABLE TO SEE THAT DOCUMENT AS WELL.

I'M SORT OF GENERALLY TOSSING THAT OUT THERE AS MS. AUTO.

YEAH.

THERE YOU ARE.

CAN HELP WITH THAT.

OKAY.

IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE THAT WE'RE MISSING YOU? SURE.

OKAY.

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[Executive Session]

AM NOW GOING TO RECESS OUR CURRENT, UH, AUSTIN ENERGY UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING TO NOW GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO TAKE UP ONE ITEM PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5 51 DOT OH EIGHT, SIX OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE.

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL DISCUSS COMPETITIVE MATTERS RELATED TO ITEM NUMBER SIX, WHICH IS AUSTIN ENERGY GENERATION RESOURCE ISSUES.

IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO GOING INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE ITEM, ANNOUNCED HEARING AND SEEING NONE, THE COMMITTEE WILL NOW GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AND WE WILL ALL GO BACK TO OUR OFFICES AND DO THIS REMOTELY USING THE REMOTELY.

AND BEFORE WE LEAVE THE DICE, AFTER CHECKING WITH COUNSEL, I'M GOING TO CONVENE THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING, UH, FOR THE PURPOSE OF DOING TWO THINGS.

THE FIRST IS TO RECOGNIZE THAT TWO OF OUR COLLEAGUES ARE CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY.

UH, SO WE HAVE, UH, BOTH THE, THE, THE MAYOR PRO TEM, AS WELL AS COUNCIL MEMBER.

, UH, KEEPING WITH OUR COVID RULES WHEN MICROPHONES ARE REALLY CLOSE TO OUR MOUSE LIKE THIS, WE'RE NOT GOING TO SING THE SONG UNTIL WE'RE TOGETHER AND CAN ALL LIKE LEAN BACK, BUT KNOW THAT, UM, WE ALL WISH YOU BOTH A HAPPY BIRTHDAY AND A PHENOMENAL YEAR HAPPY BIRTHDAY.

SECOND ITEM IS, UH, WE'RE GOING TO, UH, UH, ALSO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION TO TAKE UP FIVE ITEMS. WE'RE GOING TO ANNOUNCE THIS NOW CONCURRENTLY.

SO WE DON'T HAVE TO COME BACK OUT TO THE DYES FOR THAT PURPOSE TO GO BACK INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 5, 5, 1 0 7, 1 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE.

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WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO E ONE, UH, WHICH ARE LAWSUITS AND CLAIMS RELATED TO APD POLICE DEPARTMENT E TO THE CITY'S RESPONSE TO COVID-19 ITEM FOUR, AN ITEM ONE 18, UH, WHICH RELATE TO, UM, UH, TWO ITEMS ON ARE.

THOSE ARE TWO ITEMS ON OUR AGENDA, UH, CONCERNING, UH, SERVICE EXTENSION REQUESTS AND AN ANNEXATION ISSUE.

AND THEN PURSUANT TO 5, 5, 1 0 7 FOR THE GOVERNMENT CODE.

WE'RE GOING TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL MATTERS RELATED TO , UH, THE CITY MANAGER E FIVE, UM, UH, JOSEPH CHACAN, UH, AND WITH THAT, AND WITHOUT, UH, ANY OBJECTION, AND I SEE NONE, WE WILL, UH, ALSO RECESS OR ALSO MOVE INTO, UH, EXECUTIVE SESSION, WHICH WILL ALSO BE DONE REMOTELY.

SO FIVE MINUTES, WE'LL SEE YOU ALL THERE.

ALL RIGHT.

UH, COUNCIL MEMBER, LESLIE POOLE HERE, BACK OUT ON THE DIASEND OPEN MEETING, WE ARE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION IN CLOSED SESSION WITH THE AUSTIN ENERGY UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE.

WE DISCUSSED COMPETITIVE MATTERS RELATED TO ITEM SIX.

WE TOOK, UM, WE DISCUSSED THAT, AND THEN WE ENDED THAT CLOSED SESSION.

AND I AM OUT ON THE DIOCESE NOW TO, UM, ADJOURN THE AUSTIN ENERGY UTILITY OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING.

AND IT IS 5:21 PM WITH REGARD TO THE OTHER EXECUTIVE SESSION THAT WE HAD A EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR WORK SESSION.

WE ARE OUT OF CLOSED SESSION IN WORK SESSION, CLOSED SESSION.

WE DISCUSSED LEGAL ISSUES RELATED TO ITEMS E 1, 2, 4, AND FIVE, AND PERSONNEL MATTERS RELATED TO ITEMS FOUR AND FIVE.

THERE WAS NO DISCUSSION OF ITEM ON THE AGENDA, AND WE DID NOT DISCUSS ITEM ONE 18, AND I AM ALSO ADJOURNING THE WORK SESSION OF THE AUSTIN CITY COUNCIL TODAY AT 5:22 PM.

THANKS EVERYBODY.

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